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ENGLISH

अंग्रेजी

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Instructions -

- (i) Read all the questions carefully.
- (ii) Read the instructions given with the questions before attempting them.
- (iii) Marks of each question are indicated against it.
- (iv) Attempt all questions.

**SECTION – A****(Reading)**

Q.1 Read the following passage and answer the questions below -

[5]

Health is a positive state of physical and mental well-being, when we feel secured by being physically healthy and free from diseases, by feeling content. We are in a state of positive health. Our close and harmonious interactions with family members, neighbours and friends help us to stay well mentally.

According to this definition, very few people in the world enjoy positive health. In the rich and developed countries, families ties appear to be weakening, neighbours may be strangers and friendship is sometimes restricted to business contacts. In those countries environmental conditions have improved considerably. The populations have achieved a better nutritional status and there is often plenty of money available to buy most of life's comforts. People in developed countries may enjoy better physical health, but they are far from achieving positive health, as many are not so contented mentally.

Questions -

- (i) An unhealthy man feels.....
- (a) secured
 - ☒ (b) free from diseases
 - (c) content
 - (d) negative in state
- (ii) What have the developed countries secured in spite of weak relationship?
- ☒ (a) Better neighbours
 - (b) A great population
 - (c) Environmental conditions
 - (d) Harmony
- (iii) The similar word for 'content' is.....
- (a) satisfied
 - (b) listless
 - (c) groom
 - ☒ (d) frisk
- (iv) Positive health needs.....
- (a) money
 - ☒ (b) harmonious interactions
 - (c) nutritional status
 - (d) fair physique
- (v) According to the definition, very few people in the world enjoy.....
- ☒ (a) positive health
 - (b) happy life
 - (c) comforts
 - (d) good relation

Q.2 Read the following passage and answer the questions given below -

The observatory at Avu in Barneo, stands on the spur of the mountain. To the north, rises the old crater black as night against the unfathomable blue of the sky, from the little circular building with its mushroom dome, the slopes plunge steeply downward into the black mysteries of the tropical forest beneath. The little house in which the observer and his assistant live is about fifty yards from the observatory and beyond this are the huts of their native attendants.

Thaddy, the chief observer, was down with a slight fever. His assistant Woodhouse paused for a moment in silent contemplation of the tropical night before commencing his solitary vigil. The night was very still. Now and then voices and laughter's came from the native huts or the cry of some strange animal was heard from midst of the mystery of the forest.

Questions -

- (i) Where does the observatory stand on?

(a) Avu	(b) Barneo
(c) The mountain	(d) Mushroom
- (ii) Which word does not describe the observatory?

(a) Circular	(b) With mushroom dome
(c) Mysterious	(d) Steeply downward
- (iii) The verb form of the word 'assistant' is -

(a) assistance	(b) assistan
(c) assiste	(d) assist
- (iv) The noun form of the word 'circular' is.....

(a) circul	(b) circle
(c) circule	(d) cycle
- (v) Who was the chief observator of the observatory?

(a) Vigil	(b) Thaddy
(c) Woodhouse	(d) Black

SECTION – B

(Writing)

Q.3 Read the passage carefully and make notes on it with a suitable title. **[4]**
There is a great deal of violence in the world. There is physical violence and also inward violence. Physical violence is to kill another, to hurt other people consciously, deliberately or without thought, to say cruel things, full of antagonism and hate and inwardly inside the skin, to dislike people, to help people, to criticise people. Inwardly, we are always quarrelling, battling, not only with others, but with ourselves. We want people to change. We want to force them to our way of thinking.

In the world, as we grow up, we see a great deal of violence, at all levels of human existence. The ultimate violence is war – the killing for ideas, for nationality, the killing to usurp other's properties and a piece of land. To do that man will kill, destroy, maim and also be killed himself. Violence is inherent in man, inherent in each human being and it is inherent in you. And education is supposed to help you to get beyond all that, not merely to pass an examination and get a good job. You have to be educated so that you become a really beautiful, healthy, sane, rational human being.

Q.4 You are Yam/Yami Gautam, studying in Govt. H.S.S., Ambah. Write an application to your Principal to grant you ten days leave as you have to go for the marriage of your brother. **[4]**

OR

You are Pradeep/Priya living at 04/441, Vikram colony. Write a letter to your friend Balveer/Vaishali and invite him/her to spend his/her summer vacation with you.

Q.5 Write an essay on any one of the following topics in 150 words - **[5]**

- (a) Uses of Mobile Phone
- (b) Importance of Games and Sports
- (c) Importance of Trees
- (d) Any Historical Building

- Q.6 On the basis of the picture given below, write a small paragraph in about 75 words -

[3]



SECTION – C

(Grammar)

- Q.7 Fill in the blanks with the correct word given in the brackets -

(Any Five)

[5]

- (a) Their cart was driven..... a horse.
(at/from/by)
- (b) The students when the teacher enters the class.
(get in/get up/get away)
- (c) The pen isthan the sword.
(mighty/mightier/mightiest)
- (d) Sun rises in the East.
(a/an/the)
- (e) There is water in the pot.
(a little/a few/many)
- (f) He was.....happy to see you.
(extreme/extremed/extremely)

Q.8 Do as directed - (Any Five)

[5]

~~(a)~~ Your pen?/Can/give/you/me

(Rearrange the jumbled words into a meaningful sentence)

~~(b)~~ The dress was too tight to wear.

(Rewrite the sentence using 'so.....that')

~~(c)~~ Leela says to Nimmi, "I shall not fly the kite today."

(Rewrite the sentence changing into indirect narration)

~~(d)~~ The road is dangerous. It is not repaired.

(Combine the sentences using 'yet')

~~(e)~~ Jeevan flies a kite.

(Change the sentence into the past simple)

~~(f)~~ A mason makes a temple.

(Change the voice)

SECTION - D

(Textbooks)

Q.9 Choose the correct option of the following questions -

[4]

(i) Where was the Royal Music Academy?

(a) The U.S.

(b) Birmingham

(c) Paris

~~(d)~~ London

(ii) In which subject did Einstein receive Noble Prize?

~~(a)~~ Physics

(b) Maths

(c) Chemistry

(d) Literature

(iii) What did the grandmother give to Kezia when she was sobbing?

~~(a)~~ A clean hanky

(b) A chocolate

(c) An ice-cream

(d) A toy

(iv) The poem which was written by William Butler Yeats is.....

(a) The Road Not Taken

(b) Wind

(c) On Killing a Tree

~~(d)~~ The Lake Isle of Innisfree

Q.10 (A) Read the following extract and answer the questions given below -

[3]

Few had thought that it would one day be revived. A barber of a family of professional musicians, who had access to the royal palace, decided to improve the total quality of the Pungi. He chose a pipe with a natural hollow stem that was longer and broader than the Pungi, and made seven holes on the body of the pipe. When he played on it, closing and opening some of these holes, soft and melodious sounds were produced. He played the instrument before royalty and everyone was impressed.

Questions -

- (i) Who thought of improving the sound of the Pungi?
 - (a) A musician
 - (b) Singer
 - (c) A king
 - (d) A barber
- (ii) What was the new name of the improved Pungi?
 - (a) Shehnai
 - (b) Sitar
 - (c) Flute
 - (d) Tabla
- (iii) Who played the Shehnai before royalty?
 - (a) Shahbaz Khan
 - (b) A singer
 - (c) Bismillah Khan
 - (d) A barber

(B) Read the following extract and answer the questions given below - <https://www.mpboardonline.com>

[3]

Wind, come softly,
Don't break the shutters of the windows
Don't scatter the papers
Don't throw down the books on the shelf.

Questions -

- (i) Who is the poet of the poem?
 - (a) Robert Frost
 - (b) Subramania Bharati
 - (c) James Kirkup
 - (d) Gieve Patel
- (ii) What fell down from the shelf?
 - (a) Papers
 - (b) Shutter
 - (c) Books
 - (d) Windows
- (iii) The similar word for 'shelf' is -
 - (a) almirah
 - (b) box
 - (c) tiffin
 - (d) case

Q.11 Read the following questions and answer them in about 30 words -

(Any Six)

[12]

- (i) How does Tommy describe the old kind of school?
- (ii) Who helped Evelyn to continue with music? What did he do and say?
- (iii) Why was Kezia afraid of her father?
- (iv) Name the two temples the author visited in Kathmandu.
- (v) Why did the intruder enter Gerrard's cottage?
- (vi) What shows Santosh's concern for the environment?
- (vii) Where was the marriage site situated? What did Kalam's family carry to it?

Q.12 Answer the following questions in about 30 words - (Any Two)

[4]

- (i) What should we do to make friends with the wind?
- (ii) What does the poet like to do when it rains?
- (iii) What finally kills the tree?

Q.13 Answer the following questions in about 30 words - (Any Two)

[4]

- (i) What are the two strange things the guru and his disciple find in the Kingdom of fools?
- (ii) What reasons does Lushkoff give to Sergei for his telling lies?
- (iii) What are the things the child sees on his way to the fair? Why does he lag behind?

Q.14 Answer the following question in about 75 words -

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Why did Einstein write a letter to Franklin Roosevelt?

OR

'A mystery I propose to explain', what is the mystery the speaker proposes to explain?

Q.15 Answer the following question in about 75 words -

[3]

Write the central idea of the poem 'The Lake Isle of Innisfree'.

OR

What is the central idea of the poem 'No Men are Foreign'?

Q.16 Answer the following question in about 75 words -

[3]

What is Behrman's masterpiece? What makes Sue say so?

OR

What and to whom does the Happy Prince send through the swallow?